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New Delhi,
26th July, 1956.

My dear Maharaja Sahib,

I have Your Highness's private and personal letter of July 9, 1956.

2. Since I wrote to you last on the subject, the question of finding an assignment for Your Highness in one of the international bodies has been examined further by the Ministry of External Affairs. In fact, even in 1955 they had thought of nominating Your Highness as one of the delegates to the U.N. General Assembly but felt that the rough and tumble of the U.N. debates and all else that goes with it would not suit you. The Ministry of External Affairs had also made a suggestion to the Ministry of Education that you might be nominated to attend one of the UNESCO conferences. This proposal has not been pursued further.

3. When I met Your Highness in Mysore you however suggested to me that you would find something like the Human Rights Commission more suited to your temperament. The Human Rights Commission holds its meetings either in New York or in Geneva and the session lasts for six to eight weeks. The subject matter is, however, highly technical and a person not associated with the other organisations of the U.N. such as Economic and Social Council and Third Committee of the General Assembly would find it extremely difficult to find his way through the proceedings of this Commission. The Ministry of External Affairs has therefore suggested that you may like the opportunity of serving on the Social Commission. The Social Commission holds its session in New York for about three weeks every year and the agenda is

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is not technical in character. The next meeting of the Commission is scheduled to be held some time in May, 1957. The other Committee which may suit Your Highness is the one on Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories which will meet in April, 1957, in New York and will last for about 4 to 5 weeks.

4. Your Highness has indicated that you do not want this matter pursued further until the picture resulting from States reorganisation is clearer. As the sessions of the Committees indicated above are likely to be held some time in the Spring or Summer of 1957, it may be a good thing for Your Highness to consider whether you would like to be nominated to one of these so that we might take the matter up further with the Ministry of External Affairs. As Your Highness will appreciate it is always best for such matters to be taken in hand fairly early so that we do not have to rush through last minute arrangements. I shall be grateful if Your Highness will indicate your preferences.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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